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Ms Donna Searcy
Secretary, FCC
1919 M Street NW
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RE: FCC Docket 92-235 Frequency Re-Farming

Dear Ms Searcy:

I, as The Sheriff of Tuscaloosa County am greatly concerned with the
impact that will result from implementation of FCC Docket 92-235 dealing

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Alabama State government has experienced a form of fiscal proration for six (6) of the last ten (10) years. Our legislature has been unable to pass tax reform measures for education or anything else. Many local governments have passed increased sales taxes in their attempts to continue to provide the same level of services to their communities. From my point of view, the financial well is dry. Forced or coerced changes in national radio communication rules and regulations will neither increase emergency response communications in these times of recession, state proration, nor help alleviate our runaway national debt. I believe that these proposed changes will probably lessen our ability to serve our citizens.

The FCC proposal will destroy existing abilities and will incur additional expense in maintaining the same levels of citizen services, and it may be detrimental to increasing the current ability to effectively or economically respond to citizens' life threatening, casualty, or property needs.

The FCC proposal does provide for spectrum efficiency without addressing the needs of agencies that have spent the past twenty years or more years